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QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L USUN NEW YORK 01519

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PARM, UNGA

SUBJECT: UNSSOD PREPCOM V: WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION

1. AT APRIL 18 MEETING OF PROGRAM OF ACTION DRAFTING
GROUP, UK DEL INTRODUCED REVISED TEXT ON WEAPONS OF
MASS DESTRUCTION (MDW). SOVIET UNION INTRODUCED A
SENTENCE REPRESENTING ITS POSITION IN THE MIDDLE OF THIS
TEXT WHICH UK PROMPTLY BRACKETED. SOVIETS IN TURN
BRACKETED THE WORDS FROM UK TEXT, "BASED ON NEW
SCIENTIFIC PRINCIPLES."

2. FOLLOWING IS MDW TEXT:

- MASS DESTRUCTION WEAPONS

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IN ORDER TO HELP PREVENT A QUALITATIVE ARMS RACE AND SO
THAT SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL ACHIEVEMENTS MAY
ULTIMATELY BE USED SOLELY FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES, EFFECTIVE
MEASURES SHOULD BE TAKEN TO PREVENT THE DEVELOPMENT OF
NEW TYPES OF WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION (BEGIN BRACKETS)
BASED ON NEW SCIENTIFIC PRINCIPLES. (END BRACKETS)
(BEGIN BRACKETS) NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BE PURSUED AIMED AT

WORKING OUT AN AGREEMENT ON THE PROHIBITION OF NEW
TYPES AND SYSTEMS OF WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION. (END
BRACKETS) SPECIFIC AGREEMENTS COULD BE CONCLUDED ON
PARTICULAR TYPES OF WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION WHICH MAY
BE IDENTIFIED. THIS QUESTION SHOULD BE KEPT UNDER
CONTINUING REVIEW. YOUNG

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